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House Resolution No. 4622

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to express a warm welcome to visitors to the Show-Me State who bring glory and honor to themselves through the excellence of their leadership endeavors with service-oriented organizations; and

Whereas, Millard C. Pickering of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has attained considerable distinction as a Grand Justice for the Grand Forum of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, a role that he began in 2006; and

Whereas, on September 22, 2007, the Missouri Elks Association will hold a banquet in honor of Grand Justice Millard Pickering during the organization's Fall Business Meeting in Jefferson City, Missouri; and

Whereas, the Missouri Elks Association consists of seventy-three lodges with a membership of more than 27,000 persons, all of whom are dedicated to the Elks ideal of unselfish service to others; and

Whereas, Grand Justice Millard Pickering was initiated into the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in 1976 in Bristow, Oklahoma, Lodge #1614, which he subsequently served as Tiler and Loyal Knight before moving to Missouri; and

Whereas, Grand Justice Millard Pickering was instrumental in establishing Lake Taneycomo Elks Lodge #2597 in Forsythe, which he served as Loyal Knight, Leading Knight, and Exalted Ruler; and

Whereas, after returning to Oklahoma to attend law school, Grand Justice Millard Pickering served Bristow Lodge #2597 as Exalted Ruler and state Elkdom as Director of the Oklahoma Elks Association State Major Project, Parliamentarian, and Northeast District Vice President; and

Whereas, Millard Pickering also served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, a member and chair of the Grand Lodge Resolutions Committee, Grand Lodge Parliamentarian, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, and Commissioner for the Grand Lodge Pardon Commission before becoming Grand Justice:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered down through the years by Millard Pickering and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state of Missouri as a guest of the Missouri Elks Association; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Millard C. Pickering of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Offered by	
	Representative Brad Robinson
	District No. 107
fourth Gene the above is	n, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-ral Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that a true and correct copy of House Resolution dopted September 4, 2007.
Rod Jetton,	Speaker